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14	PG&E CORPORATION	Case No. 19-30088 (DM) (Lead Case) Chapter 11
15	- and –	(Jointly Administered)
16	PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC	SECURITIES PLAINTIFFS' STATEMENT
17	COMPANY,	WITH RESPECT TO STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT FOR ORDER RESOLVING
18	Debtors.	THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF TORT CLAIMANTS' MOTION FOR STANDING
19	☑ Affects Both Debtors	TO PROSECUTE CLAIMS OF THE DEBTORS' ESTATES
20	☐ Affects PG&E Corporation	No Hearing Set
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Public Employees Retirement Association of New Mexico ("Lead Plaintiff"), the courtappointed lead plaintiff in the securities class action captioned as In re PG&E Corporation Securities Litigation, Case No. 18-03509 (the "Securities Litigation") pending in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California (the "District Court"), on behalf of itself and the proposed class it represents in the Securities Litigation (the "Class"), together with York County on behalf of the County of York Retirement Fund, City of Warren Police and Fire Retirement System, and Mid-Jersey Trucking Industry & Local No. 701 Pension Fund (collectively, "Securities Act Plaintiffs" and together with Lead Plaintiff, "Securities Plaintiffs"), hereby submit this Statement (the "Statement") with respect to the Stipulation and Agreement For Order (the "Stipulation") [ECF No. 6435] purporting to resolve The Official of Tort Claimants' Motion (the "Motion") [ECF No. 5972] of the Official Committee of Tort Claimants (the "TCC") appointed in the chapter 11 bankruptcy cases (the "Chapter 11 Cases") of the above-captioned debtors in possession (the "**Debtors**") for an order granting the TCC derivative standing to file an adversary proceeding on behalf of the Debtors' estates seeking a declaratory judgment that certain direct claims asserted in the Securities Litigation actually belong to the Debtors' estates. In support of this Statement, Securities Plaintiffs respectfully state as follows:

ARGUMENT

The Court should not rule on the Stipulation but instead should allow the Motion to be fully briefed and argued.

First, there is no urgency. The response to the Motion is due tomorrow, March 25, 2020. Lead Plaintiff intends to timely file its opposition. The hearing on the Motion is set for April 7. The Stipulation does not and cannot demonstrate any urgency in having the Court consider it without allowing any input from other stakeholders, including Securities Plaintiffs, prior to the April 7 hearing.

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Second, Securities Plaintiffs' response will demonstrate that the Motion is both premature and without merit. Among other things, no claims have been assigned to the Fire Victims Trust absent confirmation of the Plan and the occurrence of the Effective Date and the Securities Litigation Claims are direct claims arising under federal statutes that permit Securities Plaintiffs and Class members – not the Debtors or anyone acting on their behalf – to recover damages caused by the Debtors and Non-Debtor Defendants' misstatements and omissions of material fact and the ensuing inflation of the prices of the Debtors' publicly traded securities.

The Court should have available Securities Plaintiffs' opposition to the Motion before acting on the Stipulation filed on the eve of the objection deadline.

For the foregoing reasons, Securities Plaintiffs respectfully request that the Court decline to act on the Stipulation without a full record with respect to the Motion.

Dated: March 24, 2020

Respectfully submitted,

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EXHIBIT B RESERVATION OF RIGHTS

This Objection, and any subsequent pleading, appearance, argument, claim, or suit made or filed by Lead Plaintiff, either individually or for the Class or any member thereof, do not, shall not, and shall not be deemed to:

- a. constitute a submission by Lead Plaintiff, either individually or for the Class or any member thereof, to the jurisdiction of the Bankruptcy Court;
- b. constitute consent by Lead Plaintiff, either individually or for the Class or any member thereof, to entry by the Bankruptcy Court of any final order or judgment, or any other order having the effect of a final order or judgment, in any non-core proceeding, which consent is hereby withheld unless, and solely to the extent, expressly granted in the future with respect to a specific matter or proceeding;
- waive any substantive or procedural rights of Lead Plaintiff or the Class or c. any member thereof, including but not limited to (a) the right to challenge the constitutional authority of the Bankruptcy Court to enter a final order or judgment, or any other order having the effect of a final order or judgment, on any matter; (b) the right to have final orders and judgments, and any other order having the effect of a final order or judgment, in non-core matters entered only after de novo review by a United States District Court judge; (c) the right to trial by jury in any proceedings so triable herein, in the Chapter 11 Cases, including all adversary proceedings and other related cases and proceedings (collectively, "Related Proceedings"), in the Securities Litigation, or in any other case, controversy, or proceeding related to or arising from the Debtors, the Chapter 11 Cases, any Related Proceedings, or the Securities Litigation; (d) the right to seek withdrawal of the bankruptcy reference by a United States District Court in any matter subject to mandatory or discretionary withdrawal; or (e) all other rights, claims, actions, arguments, counterarguments, defenses, setoffs, or recoupments to which Lead Plaintiff or the Class or any member thereof are or may be entitled under agreements, at law, in equity, or otherwise, all of which rights, claims, actions, arguments, counterarguments, defenses, setoffs, and recoupments are expressly reserved.

For the avoidance of doubt, Lead Plaintiff, on behalf of itself and the Class, does not, and will not impliedly, consent to this Court's adjudication of the claims asserted against any Non-Debtor Defendants now or hereafter named in the Securities Litigation.

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